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25X1	
25X1	1. Called Mrs. Rusling, Executive
	Assistant, office of Representative Jaime Benitez (D., Puerto Rico), in response to her call yesterday requesting that an Agency representative
STATOTHR	brief four members of the Puerto Rican Justice Department, Special
STATOTHR	Investigating Department: on the influence of Cuba in Puerto
	Rico. I explained to Mrs. Rusling that this matter would be best handled by the FBI. She thought that the Puerto Ricans would be very much disappointed
STATOTHR	of the members had told her in confidence that he had worked for the
	Agency. I asked her to call me back if a turndown of the request would create a problem for Representative Benitez and I would look into the matter further.
25X1	2. Called George Gilbert, OMB, in response to his memorandum requesting the views of the Agency on H. Con. Res. 515, a bill involving the law of the sea and fishing rights. I explained that the Agency
	has no policy role on the NSC Interagency Task Force of the Law of the Sea, and therefore we would offer no comment on the bill.
25X1A	Gilbert inquired as to the status of the Agency's legislative program, for the 94th Congress. I told him I was sure it was near completion and that he would be receiving a call from
25X1	Judiciary Committee, and asked what action Senator Roman L. Hruska (R., Neb. would be taking on the Senate vote to override the President's veto of H.R. 12471, which amends the Freedom of Information Act. According to Marvin the Senate is scheduled to vote on the veto during the week of 18 November. He is exploring with Senator Hruska the possibility of introducing a new bill which would incorporate the changes recommended by the President in his veto message. It would be hoped that the Senate leadership would schedule this bill for a floor vote before the vote on the veto is taken. This proposal is to be discussed tomorrow with Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.); if he disagrees it will be difficult to convince the leadership to take this action. I expressed Agency support of the new bill. He will inform me of the outcome of the discussion with Kennedy tomorrow and invited the Agency to contact appropriate Senators to support
25X1 \	the new bill. CONFIDENTIAL 25X1 Approved For Release 2004/03/11 : CIA-RDP77M00144R000800010041-1 CRC. 9/11/2003
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25X1	4. Talked to Clark McFadden, General Counsel Senate Armed Services Committee, who would like to come out to Headquarters sometime next week for a follow-up session with Ted Shackley or 25X1 FA Division, on subjects covered on our recent visit to a number of Far East field stations. I will contact McFadden next week to arrange a mutually convenient time.		
25X1	In response to his inquiry to the Agency, called Mr. Val Bielecki, Assistant Regional Manager of GAO, who requested information on the Agency's total budget figure and the total number of Agency employees, on behalf of Senator Charles Percy. I conferred with of Senator Percy's staff, who told me that Percy had asked GAO to pull together this type of information on all "police, investigative and intelligence agencies." appreciated why we could not respond to such a request but did not want his reaction conveyed to GAO. I stated to Bielecki our problem with such a request and cited to him the provisions of sections 102(d)(3) of the National Security Act of 1946 and 6 of the CIA Act of 1949 and also called his attention to the recent Senate action in defeating an amendment which would have required disclosure of the total figures for the intelligence budget. He said he would check the cites I had given him but might want to have a letter from us. I told him if he felt our answer was required in writing, we would respond to a written inquiry.		
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^{25X1} 25X1A	6. OCI, the fact that we might also be receiving a request for i Mr. Cline of GAO.	called to alert us to information from a	
25X1	7. In response to Senator Claiborne Pell's (D., R.I.) personal request of last evening, I talked to Paul Goulding, Administrative Assistant to the Senator, and told him that we have no uptodate information on Carlos Rivero Collado; that Collado was not a leader at the time of the Bay of Pigs but only rank and file. I suggested once again that the information should be obtained from the FBI.		
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